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SERIAL NO.: 10/045,220) ART UNIT: 3731

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FOR: Spinal Cord Removal)

Tool With Adjustable

Blades

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed April 1, 2004, please amend the application as follows:

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